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In the claims:

Please cancel claims 9, 10, 11, 16, and 17.

There are no amendments to the remaining claims.

1. (Original) A multimode backlight for a display comprising:
at least one first illumination source comprising a first mode;
an NVIS filter adjacent to said at least one first illumination source;
at least one second illumination source comprising a second mode; and
a filter means adjacent to said at least one second illumination source for
suppressing an excitation of said at least one second illumination source caused by said
at least one first illumination source.
2. (Original) The invention of claim 1 further comprising apertures for
limiting an exposure to said NVIS filter from illumination from said at least one second
illumination source.
3. (Original) The invention of claim 2 wherein the apertures comprise
different sized apertures for a uniform distribution of a light from the at least one first
illumination source.
4. (Original) The invention of claim 1 wherein said at least one first
illumination source comprises at least one light emitting diode comprising a first color
and said at least one second illumination source comprise at least one light emitting
diode comprising a second color.

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5. (Original) The invention of claim 1 wherein said filter means comprises a filter for attenuating a first predetermined wavelength and for transmitting a second predetermined wavelength.

6. (Original) The invention of claim 5 wherein said filter means for attenuating a first predetermined wavelength comprises attenuating phosphorescent light emitted by the at least one second illumination source.

7. (Original) The invention of claims 1 wherein said filter means comprises a hot mirror.

8. (Original) The invention of claim 1 wherein said filter means comprises a notch filter.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Canceled)

11. (Canceled)

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12. (Original) A method of multimode backlighting of a display, the method comprising the steps of:

- a) filtering a first illumination source comprising a first mode with a NVIS filter; and
- b) suppressing an excitation of a second illumination source comprising a second mode caused by said first illumination source with a filter.

13. (Original) The method of claim 12 further comprising the step of limiting an exposure to the NVIS filter from illumination from the second illumination source with limiting apertures.

14. (Original) The method of claim 12 wherein the step of suppressing comprises attenuating a first predetermined wavelength and for transmitting a second predetermined wavelength.

15. (Original) The method of claim 14 wherein the step of attenuating a first predetermined wavelength comprises attenuating phosphorescent light emitted by the at least one second illumination source.

16. (Canceled)

17. (Canceled)